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MILITARY REPORT

FROM COMMUNIQUE NO. 598 to 611/72

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 28.11 to 4.1272

To mark the fifth anniversary of national independence in the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and celebrations by the Yemeni people of their National Day, the front forces operating in the north of Sarfeet launched a series of successful attacks on enemy positions in the north of sarfeet. They started these offensive operations from 28th November to 4th December. During these operations it marked the 30th of November (the day of the fifth anniversary of national independence of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen) for intensification of the fighting and its fierceness. The fighting continued from the early morning to the evening of the same day. Our forces showed great brilliance in assorting their operations including sniping, chasing, moving war and lightning war.

During this day our patriotic forces and fighters recorded immortal figures in the heart of the masses of our people in Oman and the Arabian Gulf proving the revolutionary cohesion between the masses of our people in Oman and the Arabian Gulf and the masses of the people in Yemen.

The celebration operations were not confined only to our forces in Sarfeet but also stretched to the east of the Red Line where hot and fierce fighting raged between our forces and the enemies in "Gubgat" and "Ihurbat" in the north of Wadi Jemin. This is one one hand while on the other the offensive operations also covered the east of the region to stretch to the enemy centres in "Morbat", "Matbooti" and "Kheisal" highlands in the north of the Eastern Region and the south which is about twenty miles away from the capital of the region.

It is worth recalling that coordination took place between the fighters of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia on 29th November and 4th December to launch joint operations simultaneously on the aforementioned centres. This cause confusion and hysterical disturbance to the enemy forces.

We summarise these operations by mentioning the following casualties:-

ENEMY CASUALTIES:

- 1) 56 enemy members between killed and wounded
- 2) Destruction of three heavy machine-gun with their crew
- 3) Destruction of two medium machine-guns with their crew
- 4) Destruction of 31 defensive artilleris
- 5) Destruction of 81-mm gun and silencing of another gun.

This is in addition to casualties not assessed during two other operations.

OUR CASUALTIES:

Martyrdom of Comrade Mohammad Ahmed Dulaidool and the injury of another comrade slightly.

RETURN OF P.F.L.O.A.G. DELEGATION FROM POPULAR CONFERENCE

The delegation of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf returned from Beirut after taking part in the Popular Conference for the Support of the Palestine Revolution. The delegation was headed by Hussein Moosa al-Majed representative of the Central Executive Committee of the Front.

P.F.L.O.A.G.'s delegation praised the positive outcome brought out by the conference for reinforcing the unity of the Arab revolutionary forces towards more consolidation of the Palestine revolution.

ARABIAN GULF:

ARAB STUDENT FEDERATIONS IN LEBANON
CALL FOR BACKING FOR REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT IN GULF

In its issue of 5th December, the Syrian "Al-Baath" magazine said that the Student federations and organisations at the Arab University of Beirut, the American University and the Arab Leagues of Students in Lebanon demanded an increase in the moral and material backing to the popular revolutionary movement in the Arabian Gulf.

Quoting the statement issued by the aforementioned student organisations on the occasion of the passage of one year on the occupation by Iran of the islands of Abou Moussa, Minor and Major Tonb, reports said that the occupation was one of the criminal chains aimed at aborting any national ambitions and that the grant of numerous fake independences is the replacement for the bargain operations, secession and occupation in the Arabian Peninsula, Oman and the Arabian Gulf.

KUWAIT:

TOUR BY FULBRIGHT OF ARABIAN GULF

William Fulbright, head of the Foreign Relations Committee in the U.S. Senate left Kuwait this week after a three-day visit.

It is worth recalling that Fulbright is at present on tour of the Arabian Gulf area to get acquainted with developments in the situation. He visited the Saudi Arabia, and the Federation of Arab Emirates before visiting Kuwait.

MUSCAT:

QABOOS OFFICIALLY RECOGNISES HIS LINK WITH
WHEEL OF COLONIALISM AND IRANIAN REACTION

Qaboos announced in Al-Ahram newspaper of Cairo of 1st December in an interview on the situation in the arena of Oman and the Arabian Gulf and the foreign danger which is in

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wait for it and threatens its security and stability and loots its wealth through the new American military presence, and the veiled British presence and through reactionary expansion by Iranian reaction which is trying to increase and stretch its influence and the space of land at the expense of the territories of our country.

Puppet Qaboos gave his views on the whole of these issues and his imaginations on the situation in future. He said that he sees no danger in the presence of such forces and that their presence and interests are linked with the interests of this area.

And so openly Qaboos' statements became shamelessly saying that the Anglo-American military presence is only with the consent of these reactionary authorities which sees that it is in their interest and to insure their existence that it is necessary to get linked with the wheel of colonialism and Iranian reaction which constitute the watch dog for the Anglo-American interests in the area.

This statement is nothing but an official admission by Qaboos of the assistance extended by this colonialist and reactionary presence for knocking down the revolution in Oman and the Arabian Gulf and for ending the armed revolution in southern region of Oman so that its sparks do not spread to other regions.

MUSCAT: QABOOS MEETING WITH FEISAL

The Saudi news agency said on 5th December that King Feisal received Qaboos when he stopped at Riyadh airport while on his way back to Muscat from Libya. Both puppets met at the official airport lounge for 45 minutes for consultations on the assistance that can be extended by Saudi Arabia to the reactionary regime in Oman for knocking down the revolution in South Oman and extinguishing the nationalist movement in other regions of the Arabian Gulf.

LEBANON:

LIQUIDATION OF PALESTINE RESISTANCE

LEBANON:

Once again the Lebanese regime is directing another blow to the resistance. On 8th December the Lebanese army besieged a force of commandos at south Lebanon (this position is regarded important in the confrontation of the Israeli forces which attack south Lebanon continuously) and killed four commandos and injured others.

The progressive forces started to strongly resent the new massacre which is a chain in the plan for liquidating the Palestine resistance and its extents on the confrontation lines with Israel. The People's Front which faces a fierce imperialist and reactionary plan appreciates the steadfastness of the resistance in the face of the liquidatory plans and affirms the link of this plan for liquidating the armed groups of the Arab revolution.

BAHRAIN:

POLITICAL BOOKS CONFISCATED IN BAHRAIN

Al-Adhwa newspaper of Bahrain published an article for a journalist who was speaking on what happened to him at Bahrain airport including inspection and confiscation of all political books which were in his possession and their reversion to the Ministry of Information in order to go through them and later allow them enter or confiscate them. This is at a time in which Sheikh Mohammad bin Mubarak al-Thalifa (Minister of External Affairs and acting Information Minister) announced in a press talk published in the Egyptian al-Jamhuriya newspaper that Bahrain is a country open for all political and ideological trends as in libraries books exist in abundance without any restrictions. The question here does not mean mere declaration of freedoms and their registration in papers to defance real facts, but means basic guarantees through which the human being can exercise these freedoms.

OMAN:

OMANI CITIZEN PRAISES VOICE OF REVOLUTION

A message from an Omani citizen called Salem Mohammad al-Ghafri, reached us praising the programmes of the Voice of the Revolution over the Radio and the great role performed by it in clarifying the struggles of our people in Oman. He asked us in the message to expose the authority there by mentioning the tragedies taking place inside the Sultanate in order to explain facts to many of those who were misguided by allegations laid down by the Sultanate abroad. Being an Omani citizen who was working in one of the Arabian Gulf Emirates then returned to the Sultanate after the Qaboos stage coup hoping that means of living will be provided for him, was shocked by the fact that he was asked to tender a certificate of work in accordance with the new ordinance.

It is to be recalled that thousands of Omanis left their country during the days of Saeed bin Taimour fearing his tyranny and to get work chances in other areas of the Gulf. After their return these did not possess any certificates of work. As it is clear this is a mere reason for preventing these citizens from finding any work opportunities and in order to bring more Pakistani and Iranian workers to meet the needs of companies as the expatriate workers do not stage strikes and do not cause any disturbance to these monopolistic companies.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF UNIONS DELEGATION
BACKS STRUGGLE OF PEOPLE OF OMAN AND GULF

A joint workers statement was issued on the visit which was made by a delegation from the International Federation of Unions to Democratic Yemen at an invitation from the General Confederation of Democratic Yemeni Workers for taking part in celebrations on the fifth anniversary of national independence.

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M The statement said that both sides affirmed that the class struggles of the Yemeni masses will accomplish numerous tasks on the road of economic changes particularly after the realisation of Yemeni unity. Both sides also affirmed their backing for the struggle of the people of Oman and the Arabian Gulf under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf.

DHOFAR: REVOLUTIONARIES OF PEOPLE'S FRONT STAND IN THE FOREWARD LINE OF THE ARAB NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT

The Soviet monthly magazine "Aganiok" published in its issue of October: "If there is an army living in the centre of the people like the fish in the water this is undoubtedly the revolutionaries in Dhofar."

The magazine said that this outcome was reached by the famous French traveller and doctor Claude Vanne who visited shortly the liberated areas in the southern region of Oman. The French doctor said that the success of the national liberation war launched by the revolutionaries in Dhofar made them combine with them new fighting groups for independence and freedom. They also made the British colonialists resort to new manoeuvres to expand the filthy war in Dhofar.

Qaboos recruited against the revolutionaries most hostile and reactionary forces in the Arab world. The army of hireling and mercenariness is being trained today by Saudi and Jordanian officers in addition to British officers. Oil revenues are also spent for buying American and British weapons.

But in spite of the toughening of pressure and unity by colonialism and local reaction the revolutionaries continue to render fierce blows and stand now in the forefront of the Arab national liberation movement. The magazine added by saying that the Soviet Union backs the People's Front in its just struggle for liberating the land and for realising national independence.

MINOR AND MAJOR TONB:

SIGNING OF PROTEST APPLICATION BY ISLANDERS

Masses in the north of Oman live a state of popular turmoil against the oppression suffered by them at the hands of the sheikhs and the colonialist federation. The masses of Minor and Major Tonb who number about (300) islanders, submitted an application to the President of the so-called Federation of Arab Emirates, resenting the coward stand by the Federation towards the occupation by Iran of the islands.

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NORTH OMAN

AUTHORITY OF SO-CALLED FEDERATION OF ARAB
AMIRATES MOBILISE REPRESSIVE FORCES

The authorities in the so-called Federation of Arab Emirates mobilised all their repressive machineries after the distribution of the front's statement which called for strike and which was published by Saut al-Gamahir issued in the north of the homeland. It is worth recalling that national slogans are pasted on walls in Abu Dhabi streets and houses and spread to cover most towns in the north of the homeland. Such slogans include: "The Federation Sold - The Shah Bought" and "The Game Was Uncovered and the People Knew".

Following the issue of the statement calling for strike, the colonialist authorities arrested 52 citizens in Abu Dhabi before the start of the suspicious celebrations held by Zaid by two weeks which celebrations are confined to Abu Dhabi where tens of triumphal arches were erected while no triumphal arches exist in other Emirates.

It is worth recalling that an eight-member committee from Ministries was formed to arrange the celebrations and erected more than 40,000 lamps, according to the official gazette of the Federation and the Ministries of Abu Dhabi. This committee has no other work but to take care of the celebrations while our people heal their wounds. As to the sheikh of Ajman, he took seige in the police station after the distribution of the statement, fearing emergencies. He gave orders to the police not to allow any vehicle whatsoever into his kingdom except after prompt inspection.

SHARJAH:

QASSEMI VISITS LONDON

Sagr al-Qassemi Ruler of Sharjah went to Britain on a month's visit. According to reports reaching us, he will get acquainted with arrangements made by Britain with Zaid during his recent visit in which he signed a deal to give legitimacy to Iranian occupation of Minor and Major Tonb. While Qassemi is visiting Britain the Ruler of Ras al-Khaimah is visiting Iran at Present.

KUWAIT:

ARREST OF ELEMENTS FROM ARABIAN GULF

According to the Kuwaiti Attali'ah magazine it said in its issue of 9th December, 1972, that arrests are taking place for the past week in Kuwait by political intelligence against some elements of Arabian Gulf citizens who have links with some nationalists. Although no charges were directed against them yet the centres of the political intelligence did not circulate the well known tune that they subject the security of the country to danger. But these circles speak about their link with the national movement in the Gulf without directing this charge to them.

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Since Saturday 2.12.72 the political intelligence ransacked more than one house without permission from the police and tampered with everything even the cloths of children and women. They then arrested the men who from that day face hard torture and very bad treatment.

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POLITICAL COMMENTARY:

MILITARY PACTS WILL NOT SUPPRESS THE PROCESSION AND THE VICTORY OF THE REVOLUTION IS DECISIVE

Feverish visits and movements by puppets in Saudi Arabia and Iran and vice versa increase these days and so invitations in reactionary circles in the Arabian Gulf area in order to coordinate between them under different slogans. Movements increase and in a clear manner in the field of cooperation between Arab and Iranian reactions.

Sagqaf, the Saudi Foreign Minister, came recently from a visit made to Iran to coordinate between Saudi Arabia and Iran in the field of preserving the security and stability in the Gulf area". Between a time and another Kuwait also comes up to make a proposal on different formula under which a local pact is to be established. Sometimes there is cooperation and sometimes meetings are held by the Heads of State in this area to look into this. Hussein bin Tallal does not hide his extensive activity in the field of moderating the closeness and wiping out differences between Saudi Arabia and Iran and between Saudi Arabia and the Amirate State and between Qaboos and Feisal. America affirms that it supports the steps of Saudi Arabia and Iran for coordination between them.

Here we must ask why this activity increased recently? And why it increases more and more? The forces of imperialism and reaction were thinking they are giving fictitious independences to Bahrain, Qatar and other Amirates merely as soon as Britain declares its withdrawal from this area, and merely after America succeeds in penetrating the area calmly. They thought that merely after implementing these plans the people's wrath and the movement of the masses will lose its strength and the national movement will be set back.

But what happened was the oppposite as the armed revolution under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf preserved the liberated areas and the masses resisted with steadfastness and patriotism in spite of all dreadful economic blockade. In other regions the forces of the revolution worked hard to implement the resolutions of the Ahlaish congress and developed their methods and political activity and tactics and reposed the voice of the revolution openly in areas where this voice was not heard before and where the voices of Al-Nahyan, al-Qassemi and Al-Maktoum were only heard. It was also able to develop their political methods and to move in a wonderful massive method in Bahrain and work constantly for implementing all the resolutions of the Ahlaish congress. At Arab and international level the revolution managed to realise new victories and to increase the number of their allies and secure understandings for the issues of the revolution.

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In fact these developments and all these successes and in particular in the field of political intimidation in the Region of Oman and the Gulf are subject to further development and to be posed to blows by the puppet authorities. But the escalating and spreading line will prevail at the long-run.

In front of all this imperialism and reaction found that what was thought to have been done and arranged by them was not correct and what was believed to have been done by them in their favour for good was also not correct. The national forces are capable to work and affect their plans and to start their new launchings from where the plans of imperialism and its arrangements in the area started.

These facts and such contradictions in the plans of colonialism clearly proves the spread of the activities of the revolution and front at all levels and their development of different forms of the struggle. These plots and new facts, inasmuch as they require preparations and precautions, they on the other hand prove the correctness of the situation and its escalation.

These new situations will be coupled with spreading activities by the revolution and the People's front at all levels, internally, and at Arab and international levels. We succeeded upto now in uniting the ranks of the three organisations in the Regions of Oman, and by this we created a firm ground in these regions. We will also work constantly to realise the militant unity of the peoples front throughout the arena of Oman and the Arabian Gulf. We will also march forward for developing our relations with the national Arab countries and the forces of the Arab revolution topped by the armed Palestine revolution. We will also work more and more to unite our relations with the Socialist countries and with our real allies in the world and make our comrades and friends stand clearly on these facts. Our revolution and front march quickly on the path of the struggle and military facts will not deter or suppress the procession and the victory of the revolution will be decisive.

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MOTHER REACTION CALLS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF HOSTILE FRONT

Omer Saqqaf Saudi Minister of State for External Affairs, suggested the establishment of a strong united front from all Arabian Gulf countries to defend the security of the area and protect it against foreign conspiracies.

He said that Iran, Saudi Arabia and the other Gulf countries shoulder great responsibilities in the Gulf area which faces challenges from foreign conspirators.

It is to be recalled that Saqqaf last week visited Teheran with a delegation of senior officials in the Saudi External Affairs Ministry. Saqqaf announced before departure that his visit to Iran enters the frame of periodical visits between the two countries and that it aims at consolidating the bonds of friendship and establishing further cooperation and more closer cooperation between the two countries.

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